

In re Patent Application of:
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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A security article comprising:
a light transmissive substrate having a first surface and an
opposing second surface, the first surface having a
diffraction grating pattern or a holographic image pattern
and the second surface being substantially planar thereon;
and
a color shifting optical coating ~~overlying~~ on the second
surface of the substrate, said optical coating including a
polymeric medium and a plurality of color shifting multilayer
optical interference flakes dispersed in the polymeric
medium, wherein the flakes comprise an absorber layer, a
dielectric layer and a reflector layer, wherein the optical
film provides an observable discrete color shift such that
the article has a first background color at a first angle of
incident light or viewing and a second background color
different from the first background color at a second angle
of incident light or viewing, the article exhibiting an
optical diffraction grating pattern effect or a holographic
image pattern effect in addition to the first and second
background colors.

Claims 2-6 (canceled)

7. (new) A security article as defined in claim 1 wherein
the polymeric medium includes at least a pigment vehicle for
use in ink or paint.